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SUBJECT: SECTION 412 SECURITY ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1976

FOLLOWING IS TEXT DIPLOMATIC NOTE DELIVERED TO AMBASSADOR  
HAHM ON AUGUST 30.

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE SECRETARY OF STATE PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS  
TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
KOREA AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE INTERNATIONAL  
SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT OF  
1976, WHICH WAS RECENTLY SIGNED INTO LAW BY THE PRESI-  
DENT OF THE UNITED STATES. SECTION 412 OF THE ACT  
READS AS FOLLOWS:

"THE CONGRESS VIEWS WITH DISTRESS THE  
EROSION OF IMPORTANT CIVIL LIBERTIES IN THE  
REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND REQUESTS THAT THE  
PRESIDENT COMMUNICATE THIS CONCERN IN FORCE-  
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FUL TERMS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC

OF KOREA WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER ENACTMENT."

THE SECRETARY, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT

PURSUANT TO THIS PROVISION OF LAW, WISHES TO CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE AMBASSADOR TO THIS ACTION OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE HAVE LONG ATTACHED THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO THE OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, BOTH IN THE UNITED STATES AND ELSEWHERE. THE POLICIES WHICH THE UNITED STATES HAS PURSUED ABROAD HAVE ALWAYS REFLECT THIS SIGNIFICANT ASPECT OF THE AMERICAN NATIONAL HERITAGE. AS PRESIDENT FORD SAID IN A MESSAGE TO THE UNITED STATES SENATE ON MAY 7, 1976,

"...THE ADMINISTRATION IS FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HUMAN RIGHTS AS A STANDARD FOR ALL NATIONS TO RESPECT."

IN THE CASE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE SECRETARY OF STATE SAID IN AN ADDRESS JULY 22 THAT "WE WILL CONTINUE TO REMIND THE SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT THAT RESPONSIVENESS TO THE POPULAR WILL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ARE ESSENTIAL IF SUBVERSION AND EXTERNAL CHALLENGE ARE TO BE RESISTED."

IN THIS CONNECTION THE SECRETARY WISHES TO NOTE TO THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE INTEREST IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES IS UNDERSTANDABLY GREATER IN THOSE COUNTRIES -- SUCH AS THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA -- WITH WHICH THE UNITED STATES ENJOYS PARTICULARLY CLOSE RELATIONS BUILT UP OVER MANY YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL SACRIFICE. THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE CONGRESS AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IS ESSENTIAL TO THE MAINTENANCE OF THIS RELATIONSHIP. AS THE AMBASSADOR IS AWARE, THESE CONCERNS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION AND TO THE ATTENTION OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HIS GOVERNMENT.

THE SECRETARY REQUESTS THAT THE AMBASSADOR BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA THE CONCERN OF THE CONGRESS EXPRESSED IN THE TEXT OF SECTION 412 OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT OF 1976, AND FURTHER REQUESTS

THAT THIS RECEIVE THE MOST SERIOUS CONSIDERATION OF  
THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT.  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, AUGUST 30, 1976  
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